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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :

SHOJI KANAMARU : EXAMINER: HENEGHAN, M. E.

SERIAL NO: 10/773,148 :

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FOR: DATA PROCESSING APPARATUS, METHOD THEREOF, PROGRAM THEREOF, LINEAR CONVERSION CIRCUIT AND ENCRYPTION CIRCUIT

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Restriction dated September 5, 2007, Applicant elects without traverse Claims 1-9, drawn to the selection of linear conversions. Applicant makes this election based on the understanding that Applicant is not prejudiced against filing one or more divisional applications that cover the non-elected claims.

Should the Examiner deem that a personal or telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing this application toward allowance, he or she is encouraged to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the below listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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